Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	09/897,988	NAKAI ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Maria B. Marvich, PhD	1633
All Participants: Status of Application:		
(1) Maria B. Marvich, PhD.	(3)	
(2) Shelley Cermack.	(4)	
Date of Interview:	Time:	
Type of Interview: Telephonic Video Conference Personal (Copy given to: Applicant Applicant's representative) Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No If Yes, provide a brief description:		
Part I.		
Rejection(s) discussed:		
Claims discussed:		
Prior art documents discussed:		
Part II. SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED: See Continuation Sheet		
Part III.		
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above. 		
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(Examiner/SPE Signature) (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)		

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: An amendment to the claims was proposed to limit the the Escherichia coli strain used used in the method for producing an amino acid or nucleic acid to the type disclosed in the specification which has been constructed in the art to produce higher levels of target substances as well as secrete these at high levels into the media. Modifications to the high and low energy pathways of these strains were generated by applicants as improvements on these strains. Applicant did not want to limit strains.